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CHURCHES

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own land and you will find that the best educated, the most enlightened, the highest cultured men praying. Prayer is not something that religion has added to man, it is part of his nature to call upon something higher than himself. Does that not prove that there is something higher?

But do all men pray? Yes, at times. Some may deny it. A man may be very profane, he may be irreligious and even claim to disbelieve in the existence of a God, but let some great danger come suddenly upon him and hear him pray. The returning soldiers who were in the heavy fighting do not deny that they prayed. The natural inclination to pray is there even though it does take some great calamity to call it forth. "He that will learn to pray," someone has wisely said, "let him go to sea." Sailors of olden time were notorious for their profanity, also for their praying in time of storm. The Psalmist describes them in such a time thus:

"Their soul melted away because of trouble. They reel to and fro, and stagger like drunken men. And are at their wits' end. Then they cry unto Jehovah in their trouble."

But such spasmodic prayer prompted by danger or great responsibility is not prayer in the highest sense. Would any father be pleased to have his son come to him only when he was in trouble or wanted a gift. Mr. Postdick, from whose book I have gathered many of these thoughts, says: "Some think of prayer in terms of childish supplication to the divine Santa Claus." No wonder many are disappointed in prayer and begin to doubt its efficacy. We should be ashamed to treat our Heavenly Father as we would not think of treating any earthly parent. Prayer should be a sweet communion and not a mere and constant begging for help and gifts.

Although prayer is natural it can and should be cultivated. To eat is natural but the appetite must be controlled. It is natural for most people to sing but how much can be accomplished by training. Prayer surely was not new to the disciples, but they realized that Jesus got more out of prayer than others and they asked him to teach them to pray.

NOTES.

The Ladies' Aid of the First Christian church met last Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Leinen, 2465 Monroe avenue, the hostesses being Mrs. Leinen and Mrs. Carmen. There was a large attendance and a very interesting meeting.

The ladies planned to serve a "harvest home" dinner in the church on the evening of November 20.

The boys' class of the Bible class having won the thermometer contest of the school, with high honors, were presented with a basketball by the school as a reward for their splendid work. Watch this class grow.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

At the First Congregational church yesterday morning the Rev. Godfrey Matthews commenced a series of sermons on "The Church in the Modern World." Selecting his text from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians, Chapter 4, verse 11: "And he gave some to be apostles; and some to be prophets, and some to be pastors and teachers, for the work of ministering," etc.; the preacher said in part:

"This series of studies which I introduce to you this morning are meant to be practical, that is they are meant to relate definitely and particularly to this local church, to the remainder of you as to what the church of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is, and what its function so that we may know where we fall short and what we are to aspire unto. It is discredited by a certain class of critics today as to whether Jesus ever really did found a church at all. They say that he was always

talking about the Kingdom of God, or the Kingdom of Heaven, and that only twice did he speak about a church. Now this kind of arithmetical criticism is really nonsense disguised as profound learning. Are the things you spoke about least important or not? I think the things you speak about are most likely to be the things that count for most in your life, the intimate, vital things that are often too deep for words. When was the church born? ask some and the reply often given, 'The church was born on the day of Pentecost, when in response to the promise of the Savior his assembled disciples were baptized with the Holy Ghost.' I think the church was born earlier than the day of Pentecost—that it was born when Jesus called twelve of his disciples together and ordained them to have company with him, to heal the sick, to cast out demons, and to preach his gospel. In its simplicity the church of Jesus Christ is a society of loving souls who love their fellow men in the love of Christ and serve them and Him so. This has been often forgotten. The dust of controversy and the hate of bitterness has been expressed many times the centuries down until the seamless robe of Christ is torn to shreds. We have denominations almost without number and I am aware that for each of them some justification may be offered. Because of this clouded doctrine, or that waywardness of conduct separations have come about and divisions have ensued and denominations have come into being qualifying the name of Christian with many adjectives; yet for all this division I am bold to assert that in the first place and in the last analysis the church of Jesus Christ is composed of all those loving and ascended souls who have first loved Him and in that love have served their day and generation.

"The terrible charge brought to the church at Ephesus is that 'Thou hast lost thy first love.' The church of thy cold heart is the church on the way to extinction because the church of the cold heart neither loves its Lord nor serves his brethren. To be a few people gathered in a particular building at a particular time deluding themselves that they are the church of Christ and that no other can be, may be all very well of people who have delusions, but for a torn and wearied world, where service cries out to be done it is no church at all.

"The church is born of the love of Christ where for joyous souls spread his news abroad and manifest his tenderness in loving deeds that never cease."

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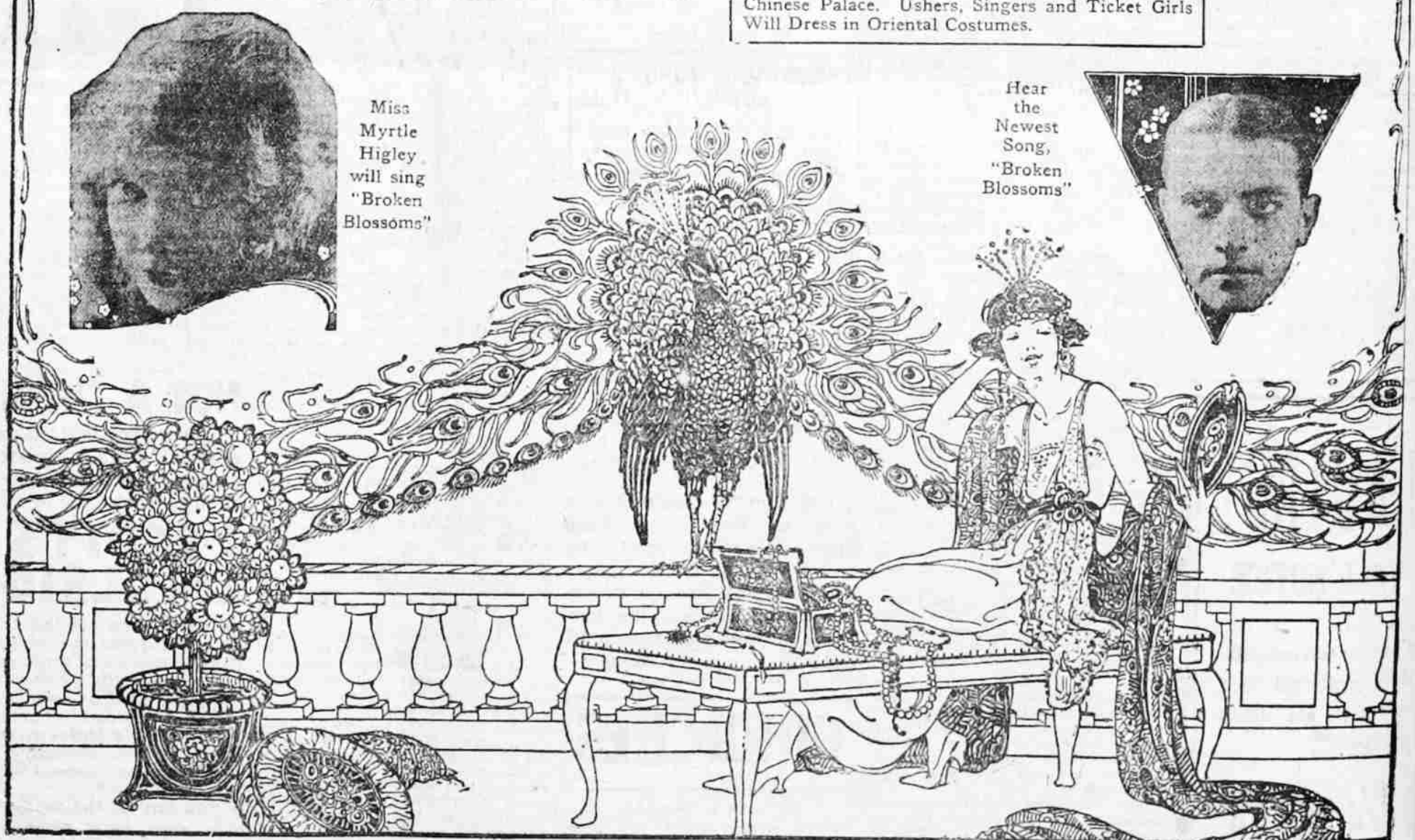
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